THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Tuesday, 22nd March 1955.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Government Estate, Mount Road, at half-past eight of the clock, Mr. Speaker (THE HON. SRI J. SIVASHANMUGAM PILLAI) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Funds for village panchayats.

* 1499 *Q.*—

SRI A. RATNAM :—Will the Hon. Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have applied to the Union Government for more funds to meet the immediate needs of village panchayats; and

(*b*) whether the Government have directed the Panchayats to spend any percentage of their revenue for the benefit of Harijans and their cheris?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" (*a*) & (*b*) No Sir."

* 1504 *Q.*—

MR. SPEAKER :—" This will be taken up tomorrow."

Disciplinary action against a Municipal School teacher.

* 1645 *Q.*—

SRI K. P. RAJAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Municipal Commissioner, Erode, has taken action against Sri K. K. Nallathambi, Municipal School teacher, for having presented a memorandum before the Committee of Enquiry for Elementary Education on 7th January 1955; and

(*b*) if so, what action the Government have taken against him?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The Commissioner is being instructed to cancel the punishment imposed on the teacher."

Yadhava Community and film called 'Thooku Thooki'.

* 1646 *Q.*—

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representations from the "Yadhava Community' in Madurai district complaining of some songs and scenes in the film *Thooku Thooki*, as injuring the religious and communal susceptibilities of the 'Yadhava Community'?